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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Houston

SUBJECT : Congressional Investigation and Mr. Amory

1. You might be interested in the following information concerning a future Congressional investigation touching on this Agency.

2. One of the guests at a dinner party which I attended last week was a staff member of the Senate Internal Security Committee. During the conversation he mentioned that he was working on hearings which were to start soon concerning China policy in general. He was concerned about the attitude of certain executive officers which seemed in direct contradiction to the stated policy. Among other examples he mentioned Mr. Amory. What bothered him was a statement that Mr. Amory was alleged to have made before a small group at the Harvard Law School. In essence it was a statement to the effect that the biggest job confronting the Government today was to educate the American public so that they would be willing to recognize Communist China. This would enable us to follow a more realistic foreign policy in that area.

3. I gathered that Mr. Amory might be called to testify about this and I suppose other aspects of the problem, although this was merely my impression.

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